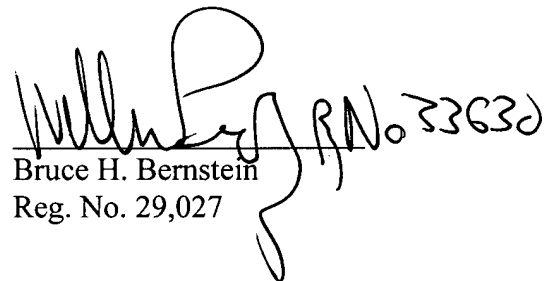


REMARKS

Amendments to the abstract are being presented to more closely conform the subject matter to standard U.S. practice and idiomatic English and are intended to be cosmetic in nature. Furthermore these amendments have not been made to overcome a rejection. Thus these amendments should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this amendment, or the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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